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Algeria: Friction within both the policy-making Revolutionary Council and the government could lead to disorders.

After a prolonged period of differences with Colonel Boumediene, Chief of Staff Tahar Z'Biri [redacted]
[redacted] fled Algiers [redacted]
[redacted] Z'Biri, a guerrilla leader during the revolution, has for some time been considered the most likely rival to Boumediene.

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Z'Biri has been tactically aligned with a leftist faction within the government and retains ties with other former guerrilla chiefs who are opposed to the clique surrounding Boumediene. The clique includes professional army officers and former members of the so-called "army of the exterior" which spent most of the war years in Tunisia and Morocco. It is not yet clear that Z'Biri's following extends beyond eastern Algeria.

The success of Z'Biri's "rebellion" will depend to a large extent on his ability to gain support from key military leaders elsewhere, particularly the commander of the pivotal First (Algiers) Military Region whose loyalty to Boumediene has been questioned.

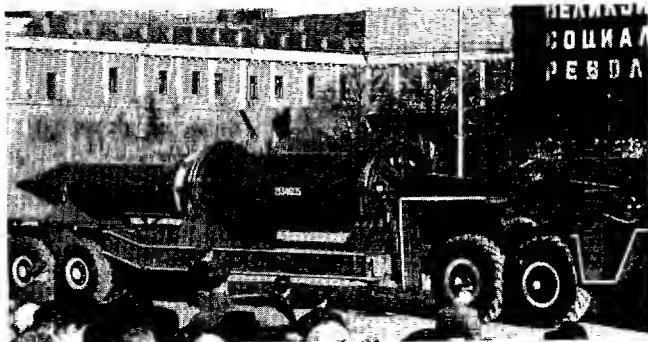
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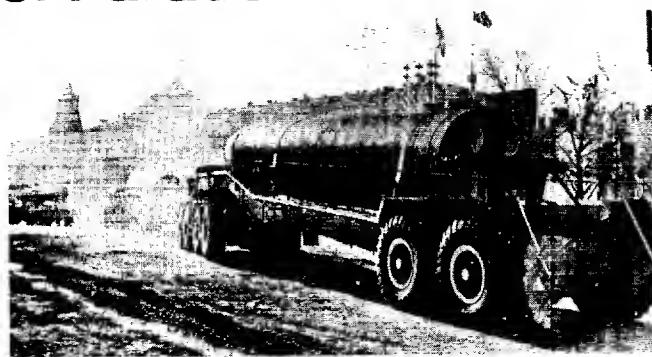
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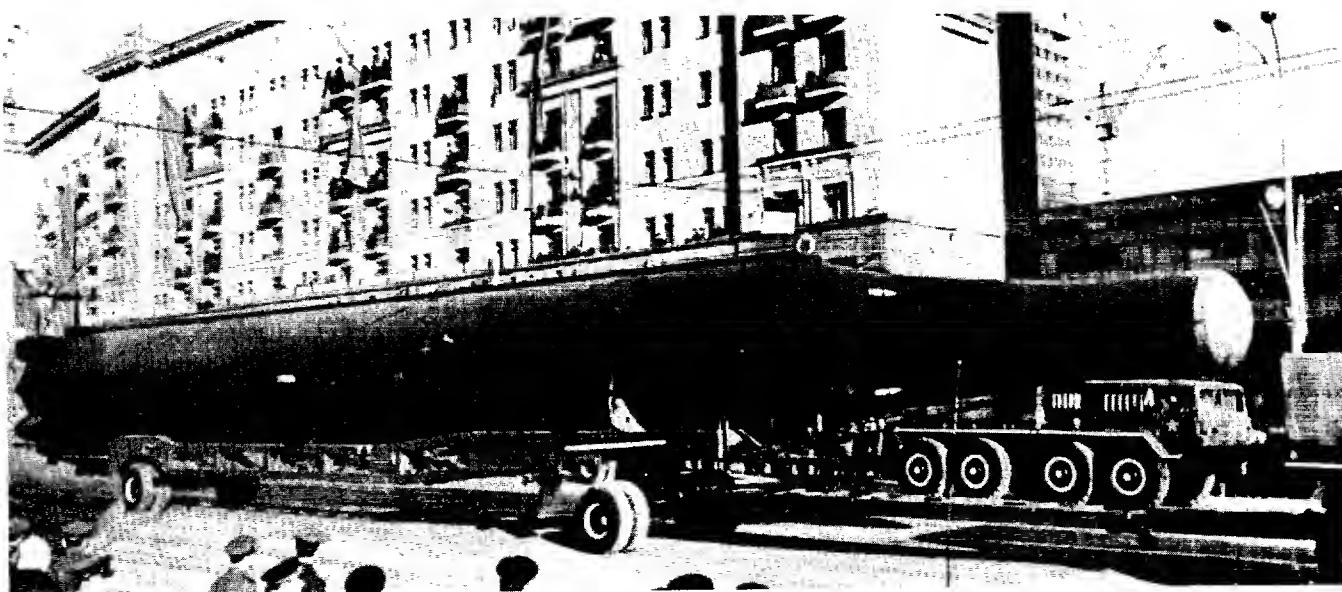
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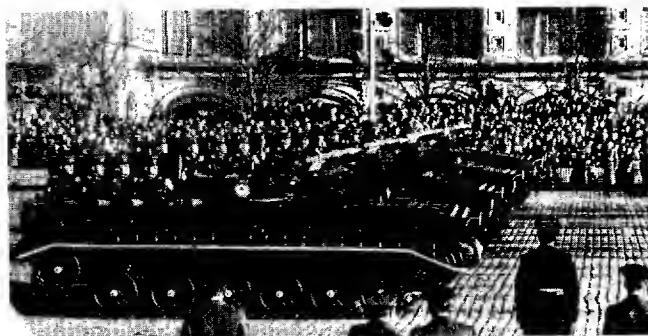
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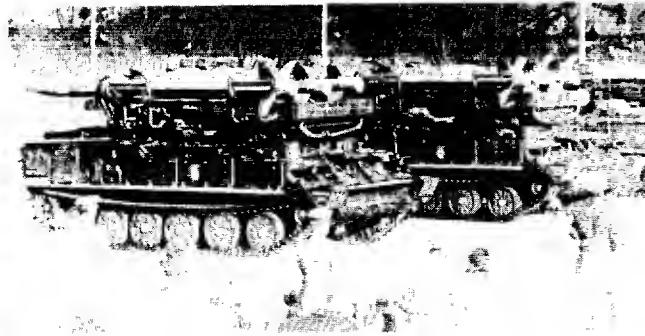
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USSR: Five missiles, including an ICBM, were among the military hardware displayed yesterday in the Moscow parade.

The ICBM probably was the widely-deployed SS-9. A Soviet commentator said the missile used a "new and highly efficient" propellant, but gave no details. A naval missile shown was described by the Soviets as underwater-launched. [redacted]

A two-stage, solid-propellant medium or intermediate range missile on a trailer may be the missile carried in the "Scamp" mobile transporter-launcher, which it followed in the parade. A short-range missile shown possibly is the 450-mile SS-12.

Another new system consisted of three antiaircraft missiles mounted on a tracked vehicle. The missiles were described as being effective at extremely low altitudes and probably will be used in support of ground forces. Other new equipment included a tracked combat vehicle carrying personnel and mounting an antitank missile and a conventional gun. [redacted]

Yugoslavia: Several high-ranking officials may be ousted soon for obstructing Yugoslavia's liberal economic and party reforms.

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The conservatives appear to have become more assertive in recent weeks and are capitalizing on Tito's concern about the Arab-Israeli war and the military coup in Greece. They have attempted to discredit the reformers by linking some of their leaders to foreign intelligence services, thus playing on Tito's fears of an imperialist plot against his regime.

Proreform elements have recently been conducting a press campaign against the conservative "political underground" and may have persuaded Tito to strike against it before it can regain more of its former power. The removal of a few conservatives from the leadership is unlikely to end the struggle between the two wings of the party, which probably will persist for some time.

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Congo: Efforts to evacuate the Schramme mercenaries and Katangans from Rwanda are moving ahead despite Mobutu's demand that the mercenaries be extradited to the Congo. French and Belgian commercial aircraft are in Rwanda or will soon arrive there to pick up mercenaries of those nationalities. There is some chance that the French and Belgian communities in the Congo will suffer reprisals if the mercenaries are repatriated. Mobutu is still willing to let the Katangan troops be evacuated to Zambia, but this part of the operation is stalled until the Zambians receive what they consider a firm request from Kinshasa.

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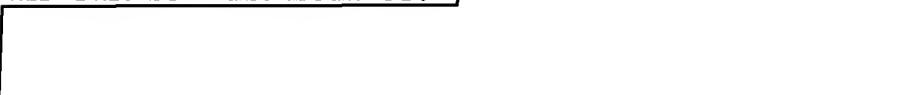
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Ecuador: The air force is considering the purchase of [redacted] French Mirage supersonic fighters and a trainer. Last week, after President Arosemena said that funds would be made available for the purchase of [redacted] Mirages, the air force asked for time to compare them with the US-built F-5. Now, however, it is studying a specific offer on the Mirages. The Ecuadoreans evidently believe that if Peru is going to get supersonic aircraft so must Ecuador.

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